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CHRISTMAS CUSTOM

Various Customs that Prevailed in Days Gone By
Interesting Article Explaining the Outburst of Christmas cheer.

the clang of bells, the feast, the fun, the worship, and all that goes to make a merry Christmas are customs inherited from a long line of ancestors and from many countries. We think of Christmas as celebrating the birth of Christ, and actuated by the spirit of the festival season we carry gifts as did the mimi of old. But some of our Christmas customs were hoary with age before the star shone in the heavens, guiding the three wise men to the new-born child in Bethlehem.

There were feasts, festivals and celebrations as far back as the patchy records of mankind chronicle the customs and habits of the ancients.

It has been instinct in the human race to lift themselves above the commonplace at certain seasons of the year, and through worship and outward rejoicing give expression to the higher or spiritual side of their being. At first, the church thundered and warred against the primitive customs that were purely pagan, but in strongly established were some of the ancient rites that the clergy finally adapted them and suffered them to continue in a revised form more in keeping with the new faith.

Many customs which now mark our Christmas celebrations are comparatively modern. To the child-like simplicity of the German credit must be given for the Christmas tree, without which our Yuletide festivals seem dull and empty. There is a beautiful story written by Martin Luther at how, after wandering one Christmas eve under the clear sky, lit by a thousand stars, he set up for his children a tree with countless candles, an image of the starry heaven whence Christ came down. This story, however, belongs to the pages of legend, and the next allusion to the tree is by a Strasbourg Theologian who condemned it on the same terms.

In a Latin work on Christmas presents, written in 1737, the story is told of a certain country who set up a little Christmas tree for each of her sons and daughters, lit candles on or around the trees, laid out presents beneath them, and called her children one by one into the room to take the gifts intended for them. From that time on the Christmas tree in Germany became an institution. It was introduced into France in 1840 and not until the same date did the Christmas tree become a decoration in England. In 1840 Queen Victoria and Prince Albert had a Christmas tree, and the fashion spread until it became completely naturalized.

Christmas decorations may be a development, partly at least, of the old custom of decorating buildings with evergreens at the new year, a practice common throughout the Roman Empire. But it is not claimed that the custom was exclusively Roman in its origin. Holly, the ivy and the mistletoe which actually bore fruit in the winter time gained and retained their popularity, because when all is brown and dead the evergreens are manifestations of the abiding life in the plant world about us. Many are the tales and legends connected with the origin of the mistletoe. Some of our most ancient literature tells how the white robed Druid climbed a sacred oak and cut the mistletoe with a golden cycle. As it fell it was caught in white cloth and two white bulls were then sacrificed with prayer. The early meaning and significance of this Christmas decoration have been blotted out with time, but we still retain the unwritten law that the youth is privileged to kiss a maiden beneath the suspended mistletoe.

Holly and ivy also date back to early legends and are mentioned in the early Christmas carols. There was a certain sanctity connected with all Christmas house decorations in England. Care was taken in disposing of them after the celebration and, in certain parts, people never threw them away for fear of misfortune.

In the old days people thought of the New Year as the time when the trees and flowers began to take on life—that as about May Day—and so the May Day carols celebrate the New Year's Day of long, long ago. Gradually, however, the carols began to centre more and more around things religious, and especially around the beautiful story of the birth of Christ. Originally the carols were dance songs and were not always strictly religious, although they were danced

Local and General

For Sale.—Heating stove. Apply to L. J. Adams.

Mr. and Mrs. Orville Harper are spending Christmas in Calgary.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Dupue left on Wednesday to attend the funeral of Mrs. Dupue's mother at Staveland.

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Mr. W. Bretall left Friday Dec. 24 for Hardisty where he will spend Christmas under the parental roof.

W. J. Sanderson is home again after an extended hospital experience in Calgary including a major operation which was very successful.

Mr. Gorsche who has been under medical treatment at Rochester Minn. spent a few days in Champion, on his way to Vancouver.

Miss Ella Stephenson and Miss Kathline Watkins, both attending Garbutt's Business college are spending the festive season at their home.

Mr. and Mrs. D. Watkins left for Iowa on Friday, where they will spend the winter. Mr. and Mrs. Cowell, of Lethbridge, are looking after the farm.

The Sunday School concert of the United Church was well attended on Wednesday night, the numbers well rendered and Santa made a real hit. The school made a presentation to choir scholar, Mr. A. Baker, and to Mr. and Mrs. Hunt a beautiful console dish. A gift box to provide Christmas cheer for a local family was well contributed to.

The sad and untimely death of little Jennie Karoline, eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. G. A. Neilson, occurred on Sunday December 19. Her demise was totally unexpected as in the morning she had been feeling just as well as usual, and had her birthday cake with seven candles attached already for the birthday she was going to celebrate.

The illness which seized her, supposed to be spinal meningitis was fatal in a few hours.

The funeral took place on Tuesday at 3 o'clock to Reid Hill cemetery, the Rev. Stacy officiating.

The family have the sincere sympathy of hosts or friends in this vicinity.

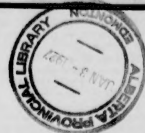
Miss Thelma Williamson and Miss Katherine Cowell were hostesses at a very delightful party on Friday night December 17, at the home of Mrs. D. Watkins when they entertained the young people of town and district at a "kiddies party." Everyone present was dressed as a kiddy and the costumes displayed were very fitting to the occasion, Miss F. Woodhull taking first prize as the best girl representative and Mr. E. Fisher as the boy.

Games were played during the evening and music and dancing were also enjoyed.

A very dainty lunch was served at midnight by three little maids namely Elsie McLean, Ada Williamson and Flora Gill.

The guests departed all declaring their full enjoyment of the evening.

and sung in the cathedrals and churches. Some of the carols still extant are connected with times and events prior to the Christmas era.



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THURSDAY, DEC. 23, 1926

IF IT WERE EVERY DAY

Christmas commentators have long stressed the wish as well as the inquiry as to why the glorious spirit which prevails that day should not extend to the other 364 days in the year. It does seem a misfortune that human nature so radiant with cheer and kindness, so uniformly successful in banishing care and criticism, so fraternal and comradely, should remain as only for a day and then slough off these attributes to wear the less appealing vestments of everyday intercourse. Is it possible that people to attain this high estate must struggle throughout the year? Are they incapable of a sustained kindness or would this millennial sort of an existence become tiresome if it became a commonplace daily emotional diet. Cynics will say yes. The philosopher may reply that with Christmas as with other things, it is the contrast that counts. Certainly it is true that without pain man would not recognise pleasure. Without clouds the sunshine would not be appreciated. Until health is impaired, its preciousness is ignored. Might it be so with Christmas? And still if that be so, what becomes of the faith of those who are looking forward to a better and matchless day that will endure forever. There is no comparison between things celestial and things terrestrial and still it may be doubted whether any season on earth gets as close to man's conception of idealism in human relations as the Christmas season. Certainly there is no better standard for man's attitude to man than that revealed throughout Christendom on Christmas Day. It is beyond dispute the most treasured of all earthly holidays. Why cannot people live together always in amity and good will? Are these virtues so perishable that after a day or two they wither and pass away? Are these virtues so perishable that after a day or two they wither and pass away? Could they not be nurtured into perennials and would they not be if people only wanted them to be?

BURDEN OF TAXES

Talking to a manufacturer the other day, the writer asked him to what he ascribed the lack of "pep" which he declared characterized business. "Too much money has to be paid in taxes," was the reply. "And I wouldn't mind so much if I didn't feel that a lot of it is wasted." Estimates as to the amount of the gross revenues of the people of Canada required to meet taxation vary from 18 to 25 per cent. To reduce this huge proportion should be one of the first objects of our ruling bodies. As the Financial Post says, "When one day's work is six does not suffice to meet the tax collector's bill, genuine prosperity of the larger sort will be slow in coming."—Orilla Packet.

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SIGNIFICANT TIMES

Nothing more significant is being demonstrated in Canada today than the fact that this country has declared itself independent, in large measure, from the United States, in its business and investment trend. The American stock markets have been exceedingly touchy, while Canadian stock securities have moved right ahead in American business. The best informed men in Canada are most optimistic, looking forward towards 1927 business in this country. American bankers and economists are warning against undue optimism. Yet here in Canada, our bank presidents and general managers betray no trace of pessimism. This week, Sir Vincent Meredith and Sir Frederick Williams Taylor, president and general manager of the Bank of Montreal, were both very cheery in their forecasts of Canadian business during the coming months.

The public debt of B.C. at March 31, 1925, was \$79,396,000, while at the 31st of March, 1926, the debt, including temporary borrowings, amounted to only \$76,786,000. The provincial debt therefore has been reduced by \$2,610,000 during the year.

SAVE OUR STOMACHS

The season of public dinners is upon us, and a frontal attack upon the gastronomic defences of the nation is being launched with all the ammunition of that can be concocted by well meaning chefs and entertainment committees. To the business man or public servant whose duties compel his attendance at numerous banquets, lunches and dinners, each successive board wrings high his soul in torture. Simple fare is the best fare for public repasts. The annual gathering of a society or the wind-up of a convention should not be made a gala night for cooks and hotel keepers; butchering taste and reason to make their Roman holiday. The Toronto Club set a good example when they dined the Governor-General the other day. There were four moderate courses only: soup; fish, a small steak and ice cream. Portions were small, tastily prepared and delicately served, but the usual accompaniments of indigestible horrors, that feast the eye and upset the inner man, were missing. The smaller the dinner, the bigger the menu seems to be the new order of things. It is time to call for mercy upon our stomachs. A feast can be a feast without being a Lucullan orgy and a banquet need not be a massacre.—Financial Post.

SHOULD HAVE VOTERS LIST

Mr. Biggar, chief electoral officer for Canada, who is resigning that post suggests that the Dominion voter's list should be permanent compilations and revised each year. At present there is no such thing as a Dominion voter's list until an election has been announced. This one is prepared by taking the latest provincial list and adding to it the names of parties who appear to be qualified to vote and removing the names of those who seem to be no longer entitled to vote. This work is done quickly and usually by officials who know little about the work, and this frequently leads to "plugged lists." Voters' lists should be kept alive, making a revision each year and this would tend to keep people interested in public matters.

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NOTES AND COMMENTS

Canada's wheat crop this year is worth \$442,000,000. That should fill a lot of Christmas stockings.

Hon. H. Greenfield, Commissioner of Colonization for Alberta, will leave for England shortly after the New Year, for the purpose of opening an office for the Alberta Government for the direction of immigration to the province.

Hon. Dr. Monteith, a member of the Ferguson cabinet, declared a few days before the election that in his opinion out of \$1,000,000 worth of liquor sold under medical prescription in Ontario last year, only \$50,000 was honestly sought for curative purposes. If this estimate is right, several Ontario doctors will now have to go to work again as the result of the elections.

The New York World's Rome bureau reports that when the King of Italy was signing some State paper, he dropped his handkerchief. Mussolini picked it up and said, "I trust Your Majesty will allow me to keep this as a souvenir." "I fear not," answered the king. "It is the one thing left which you let me put my nose into."

The death of Sir Joseph Pope, former under-secretary of state at Ottawa, removes one of the last close links with the life and times of Sir John A. Macdonald. He was the latter's private secretary for a number of years and the author of the standard biography on Sir John. Sir Joseph was well known throughout Canada. On several occasions he was the official Canadian representative accompanying royalty and other distinguished visitors in their tours across the Dominion.

The date for the opening of the Legislature has been set for February 10. It is expected that the session will not last more than six weeks.

The membership in the Alberta wheat pool has increased fifty per cent since the fall of 1923. The total number of members now being 38,000 with the total acreage signed up at 3,622,724 acres. The original membership was 25,600.

The new extension of the government railway known as the Lacombe and Northwestern is now being put into operation. The extension is for 22 miles from Headley to Breton, and the entire length of the line is now 72 miles.

Details of the livestock winnings by Alberta exhibitors at the International Stock Show at Chicago have come to hand. The only winner in the horse classes was Thor McMillan of Okotoks, who won second in the aged mare class, and first in filly foals. In the cattle the University of Alberta won first and second in Hereford steers, and first and third in the association specials in the same breed. The University also took first with the Aberdeen Angus steer, and second in fat Shorthorn steers.

There is nothing in all the catalogue of human emotions quite like that uplifting, generous, genial spirit that radiates throughout the Christmas season. Religious or irreligious, man cannot satisfy his mind that this matches tone of Christmas just happened. It had an origin somewhere and somehow and where else can its source be sought except in the homely circumstances of a Great Birth back in Bethlehem nineteen centuries ago. From that day to this, the emotions of Christmas have varied only in degree not in kind. The same exaltation, the same joy, the same triumph of the good that stirred humanity then, stir it now. Who will say that legacy of the manger was trivial? And so the question persists. Why not every day the spirit of Christmas day? Why not the same spirit of good will? Is it because humanity will not or is it because humanity is not capable of sustained goodness?

Special plans are being made for the provincial seed fair which is to be held in Edmonton, January 18 to 22. Entries for the fair must reach the field crops commissioner, provincial department of agriculture, not later than January 16. Special exhibits of seed grains will be made by the department and others, and an instructive exhibit on seed grain and weeds will be made by the provincial department.

SLEIGHS

A lot of old-timers would not take a good many hundred dollars for memories of sleigh ride days in the past. They feel sorry for the young people who are denied the joys of snow vehicles in this generation of motor cars.

Sorrier still for the people who, living in delightfully warm snowless climates, haven't even the memories of sleigh-rides. 'Twas a great sport, with a peculiar thrill for which there is no substitute. Today one sees modern youths, standing at the roadside, begging rides from passing autos. And those who recall the good old days when boys "hooked on" their sleds to passing sleighs and bobbed sleds feel sorry for them. The world wasn't in such a nervous hurry then, and it was a rare driver who was too ill-natured and impatient to stop his horse while the lads "hooked-on." More thrilling, though dangerous, was to "hop" a swift-moving bob sled, grabbing it as it went by. In peril of falling under the heavy runners. Mothers must have dreamed sleighing weather. When pa courted ma, they rode in a fast cutter, gliding along as easily as on skates, the front tinging the cheeks and noses, with warm fur robes pulled up to the neck. For social gatherings, there was the huge bobbed, carrying as many as twenty, with a symphony of shouting and glories, feet kept warm in a deep flooring of straw. Progress certainly has its price.

GROWTH OF POOL

Growth of the Wheat Pool is Revealed
Total Membership Over 38,000
A Big Increase

Southern Albertans who attended the U. P. A. convention at Lethbridge last week, learned something of the present position and future aims of the Wheat Pool from a director, Ben Plummer of Bassano. In this connection further information has been given from the pool to the press which is being broadcasted over the provinces. The membership of the Alberta Wheat Pool has increased by close to 50 per cent, since the autumn of 1923; the year the Pool started operations. The membership now totals over 38,000 and the acreage covered has passed the three and a half million figure. Signed applications come in to the Wheat Pool office in Calgary in a steady stream. The largest number to be received in one day was sixty, on December 9. During November 450 farmers joined the pool.

The figures by districts at Oct. 30, 1926:

District	Members	Acreage
Lethbridge district	3222	493,962
Clareholm district	2912	482,772
South Calgary district	3731	487,936
North Calgary district	4183	291,259
Red Deer district	6000	516,991
Camrose district	5268	545,711
Edmonton district	11,389	561,605
1926	426	27,304

Total 38,005 3,622,724
The progress of the Alberta Wheat Pool since its inception is graphically illustrated by the following figures:
Nov. 10, 1923 25,601 2,416,413
Dec. 31, 1924 30,711 2,652,890
Dec. 31, 1925 35,297 3,457,673
Nov. 30, 1926 38,005 3,622,724

The pool has shipped four million bushels of wheat through the port of Vancouver this fall, out of a total of about seven and a half million bushels shipped.

The big pool terminal at Prince Rupert is practically filled with wheat with a million bushels on route. The first British ship to load wheat from this port, S. S. Yoric took on 226,000 bushels of pool wheat in six hours and forty-five minutes, creating something of a record. Other boats loading pool wheat at Rupert this week are: S. S. Meigen Maru, loading half a cargo at 28 and 34; S. S. Ypres Maru, loading full cargo of 34; S. S. Kiro Maru, loading full cargo of 28. The S. S. Taiyu Maru is expected in port this week and to load a full cargo of 38. This grain is all going to Europe. Shipments via the Pacific coast this fall have not been as heavy as last year at this time, owing to high ocean rates and scarcity of boats the result of the British coal strike. Rates are easing up now that the strike is ended. The pool at this time is a couple of million bushels short of the total amount shipped last year at this date.

The Annual Provincial Seed Fair and Convention of Alberta Seed Growers will be held in Edmonton, January 18 to 22, inclusive. The judging will take place the first day and exhibits will be open to the public the second day. On the third day there will be a public meeting at which addresses by prominent agriculturists will be given. On the last day the convention of the Seed Growers will be held. Entries for the fair close January 10th, at the office of W. J. Stephen, Field Crops Commissioner, Edmonton.

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CHAPTER XXII.—Continued

"The thought of last night that bothers me is not so much your selfishness, as the memory of others. That's what I want to talk about. She didn't really, nor did I. You're the rule in silence again, until they turned into a brittle path that went in among the trees in the Condantes. A path that once had guided the Romans under Caesar to the hiding place of the Christian slave who has since become St. Devote, the patron saint of a sanctuary erected over his tomb where she was captured and killed. It is a narrow path. The horses brushed each other as they treaded it. Suddenly Joanna said, softly:

"You love me very much, don't you, Teddy?"

And he answered, almost shyly, "Yes."

"It's true, almost, isn't it," she asked, still softly. "That you have stopped loving other women and being happy for them because of me?"

He glanced at her, to see if she was tricking him. He decided she wasn't. "I used to think," he said, "that my mission in life was to love women, but I was mistaken. I've learned that it is better to love one woman, and put whatever qualities I have in her trust. So far I have consoled women my size, but I've learned you to be my refuge. But I've said all that before, haven't I?"

"You have," she answered, but as you always get me, I know. You are good to look upon, Teddy, about as handsome as a man ought to be, and you are good to love. I was married I could not resist you, I know."

Anger dimmed in his eyes and he muttered as usual.

"Oh I am not fooling with you," she protested earnestly. "I am just reasoning about you. You always make me take you seriously, you know, and I wonder why."

"I hate myself, Teddy. It's either true or it isn't—what are the things they are saying?"

"The obvious answer is, because I am actually serious. So much so, that I don't like that they are talking about today from one end of the River to the other—your complete last night with Prince Michael, Koni, and the affairs of Yvonne. It's getting nasty. I'd like to get you out of it."

Joanna's eyes narrowed the country-side, slowly, deliberately. The sparkle went out of her face, but there was no other sign that she was perturbed. When she was satisfied with her examination of the landscape, she turned again to the man who rode beside her.

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"Why especially for that, Teddy?"

"You must have been to figure it out again how many of Yvonne's lovers you have taken away from her. Prince Michael was the last of them. You've got them all now, the crowd consisted of, and they are celebrating your climax in every whispering boudoir and every club bar from the Condantes to Ventifille. They make an angry scandal out of it because they know that when Yvonne gets ready to turn them out, she's some kind of a crash."

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"No," he said at last, slowly, as if he carefully weighed his conclusions, "there's nothing more to be said. I'm afraid for a woman, it's either honest, or it's not. You can't make a sporting deal out of it either way. I've watched you since that time a year ago when I stumbled onto you in Yvonne's drawing room in New York. I've seen you fight for understanding of all the crooked things that went on about you. I could have helped you when, many times, but I know you'd fathom everything in your own way and I'd like that, nowadays. There's a lot, perhaps, that I don't know about which you really didn't see. I would've a heart that doesn't agree over anything my eyes can't see. I wouldn't care, you know, whether you felt into your hands, or whether you were so innocent you didn't know that anything that shouldn't be could be. However you are, I'd like, surely, to have you marry me. I'm honestly in love with you."

(To Be Continued.)

Dog's Life All Round

Great Number of Animals Do Not Get

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For the Aged SCOTT'S EMULSION
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Gave Generously To Charity
Queen Alexandra Did Not Spend Much on Herself

Popular Impressions are that queens and princesses have wardrobes that would excite the envy and admiration of every woman. But the fact is that there are thousands of women in every country, particularly in the United States, who dress far smarter and much more expensively than the average blue-blood.

A lady-in-waiting to Queen Alexandra has given out that after the Duchess of Devonshire's death only two dresses were found in her wardrobe. And one of them had been repaired.

The fact is that kings and queens, in spite of the large allowances made to them by the state, are comparatively poor persons. Like Governors-General and others with official positions to discharge, they have to spend nearly as much as they get, and sometimes more, in entertaining and in giving to charities.

Queen Alexandra all her days was a generous supporter of charitable and benevolent institutions. During her last years she seldom went out. Therefore she rubbed along with the minimum of a wardrobe. She probably gave what she didn't need to charity.

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Workmen Find Queer Urns in Germany

Date From Early Stone Age Says Director of Museum

"Clay urns found to contain the bones of people from India—Urns have been discovered by workmen in Geln, near Potsdam. Besides the urns, which were found two feet below the surface, lay two stone hammers and two stone knives."

All were contained in what is believed to be a clay cart, though the workmen, lacking knowledge of the importance of the discovery, did great destruction before the attention of archaeologists was called to the dig.

The grave was found on a small hill and it is believed that others in the immediate neighborhood. The director of the Potsdam Museum, examined the urns, declared they dated from the early stone stage and the first type ever found in Germany. Crude figures were drawn in frieze around the urns and the covers were provided with rims to keep them in position like a modern jar.

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MONARCHISTS IN GERMANY BUILD UP SECRET ARMY

Berlin.—Charges made in the Reich state that a secret monarchist military clique is building up a large illegal reserve army in Germany with munitions and aeroplanes hoarded in Germany and Russia have led the bourgeois coalition cabinet of Chancellor Mart. Philipp Scheidemann, head of the Socialist Democrats, whose accusations produced tremor in the Reichstag, demanded that the present cabinet be replaced by one in which every member was monarchist.

The present cabinet of non-confederates in the government but the fact of the cabinet members in the balance when the Reichstag adjourned.

Denouncing Soviet Russia for giving money, if not financial, support to Germany, the cabinet decided to go as late as last September and October, four ships landed at Stettin from Leningrad with munitions manufactured in Russia for a secret German army.

While the Nationalists shouted: "Traitor! Hochdeutsch! That's treason!" and Chancellor Mart, Communist members and others denied the truth of the charge. Scheidemann cited names, places and figures which he said showed that defence minister Gessler was a "tool of the monarchist junkers."

As Scheidemann made his accusations the Nationalists, pointing to the diplomatic box in which foreign representatives were seated, were to reveal these things to our enemies? They then left the chamber.

Scheidemann charged that a secret military chief of staff existed in the ministry of war, which since 1922, collected 70,000,000 marks annually for secret military equipment and the establishment of a junkers airplane factory in Moscow, which went out of business after building several hundred planes for German use.

"The German people want peace and reconciliation with the allies," he declared, "but the military activities of the Nationalist elements endanger that peace."

Making Every Effort To Move Damp Grain

Estimated 250,000 bushels of grain in elevators and farmers' bins in Winnipeg.—Stringent measures for the handling of damp grain not yet devised by Western farmers for storage will not be taken at the present time, according to a statement issued here by J. Leslie Boyd, K.C., chairman of the Board of Grain Commissioners.

Following representations made to the board, and an investigation, it was stated everything possible will be done to facilitate the movement from the farm to elevators and if the situation becomes serious in the view of the board, emergency measures will be adopted. To speed up the movement of damp grain it has been decided that grain and other products which are supplied with cars out of turn on receipt of an affidavit which must accompany a request for such cars.

These applications will be accepted by Commissioner M. Snow at the board's Winnipeg office.

The quantity of damp grain sold in country elevators and in farmers' hands is estimated at 250,000 bushels, with the bulk of it in North Eastern and South Eastern Saskatchewan.

Christmas Gifts of Coal
London.—Christmas gifts of coal will be added to the usual remittances given by King George V. to many of his neighbors at Windsor. Scarcity of coal led throughout England caused the announcement, issued at Buckingham palace, to the effect that all poor persons who passed 65 years and had lived 12 months or longer at Windsor would receive this additional gift.

New Minister to U.S.
Ottawa.—Honorable Vincent Massey, Canada's minister to the United States, will be expected, take up his work in Washington some time late in January. Mr. Massey has been in Ottawa for several days and it is understood he has been arranging details of the Washington legation with the department of external affairs.

Revenue From Gold Refining
Ottawa.—A revenue of about \$25,000 for refining gold from Ontario mines will likely accrue this year, according to A. J. Baker, chief clerk of the Royal Mint here. In an address to a local club, Mr. Baker said that gold is coming to the refineries at the rate of two million dollars a month.

W. N. U. 1609

The Christmas Tree

Custom Apparently Originated in Germany in the Seventeenth Century

London.—The origin of the Christmas tree is said to centre in the story of two elements—the old Roman custom of decking houses with laurel and green trees at the Kalends of January, and the popular belief that every Christmas, all apples and other trees blossomed and bore fruit.

In England there is an old belief in tree blossoming at Christmas connected with the well-known legend of St. Joseph of Arimathea. When the Saint settled at Glastonbury, he planted his staff in the earth and it put forth leaves. Moreover, it blossomed every Christmas Day.

The first historical mention of the Christmas tree is found in notes of a certain Strasbourg citizen of unknown name written in the year 1605. "A Christmas," he writes, "they set up in their houses in the parlors at Strasbourg and hung thereon, roses cut out of many colored papers, apples, wafers, gold-bells and other such toys."

The Christmas tree was introduced into France in 1810. In 1830 between 20,000 and 30,000 trees were said to have been sold in Paris.

In England it is alleged to be 1789, by the use of it did not become at all general until 1840 when Queen Victoria and Prince Albert had a Christmas tree.

The original Christmas tree was intended to be a thing of beauty and radiance—a thing of wonder, shining with countless lights and glittering with the balms of the gold and shimmering festoons of silver. No gifts were hung from its boughs. These were laid apart upon a table.

Demand For Flax Straw

Minneapolis Factories Looking to Saskatchewan and Manitoba for Supply

Regina.—Flax straw is now in considerable demand in the United States, and the Minneapolis Manufacturing Company, Saskatchewan farmers finding a market for their flax straw, according to word received by Thomas S. Acheson, general agricultural agent for the C.P.R. from the Minneapolis General Agent, and passed along by Mr. Acheson to F. H. Auld, deputy minister of agriculture for Saskatchewan.

Two big Minneapolis concerns, the Flaxmill Insulating Company, and the Minneapolis Manufacturing Company, are finding the local flax straw supply insufficient, and are extending their purchases into Manitoba and Saskatchewan, and Mr. Auld suggests that farmers who have flax straw should hold their stocks of it for a while.

Large Sums For Pensions

\$33,065,471 Paid Out for Year Ending March Last

Ottawa.—The total liability of the Dominion Government under the pension act (Great War) for the year ending March last, was \$33,065,471, the report of the board of pensions commissioners, tabled in the House of Commons last night. This is an increase over the amount of the year before, of about \$1,500,000. This increase, the report says, arose from new regulations.

The total number of disability pensions to war veterans was 46,345 at the end of last March, and the number of pensions to dependents of deceased members of the force 29,065.

The great majority of the disability pensioners live in Canada. The pensions issued by provinces include:

Saskatchewan, 2,927; Alberta, 3,656; British Columbia, 5,217.

Xmas Or Christmas

Campaign Started in New York to Eliminate Use of Xmas
New York.—Yonkers may not mind whether it is spelled "Xmas" or "Christmas," so long as Santa Claus makes his annual visit with toys and candles, but a campaign has started to eliminate the use of Xmas as being contrary to the reverence due to the word.

Several clergymen will speak against the use of the abbreviated word, and they will be radio addresses for the same purpose. The sponsors of the move hold that Xmas has a "vulgar tendency to destroy the beautiful thoughts in connection with Christmas as well as to bring the name of Christ into the very brink of contempt."

Cardinal Hayes and Bishop T. Manning were named as clergymen who have endorsed the campaign.

Trade in Christmas Trees

Vancouver.—During the last week of November more than 75,000 Christmas trees were shipped from Vancouver Island to the larger cities of the south-western United States. The Christmas trade.

Foresee Increase in British Immigration

Applications Already Received Nearly Double Those of Last Year

London.—Immigration from Britain to Canada next year will show a record increase, in the opinion of J. Bruce Walker.

The applications already received are double those for the corresponding period of last year, and although many will not fulfil the qualifications demanded and therefore must be eliminated, there is no doubt that the situation believe that the net result will be a tremendous increase in emigration.

Mr. Bruce Walker refuses to estimate the actual numbers, saying it is impossible to do so at present but expects himself as being very pleased with the prospects, particularly with regard to family emigration. It is obvious also that the end times will never be able to absorb the 300,000 men who are now out of employment, and this should serve to stimulate emigration.

FEDERAL HOUSE IS ADJOURNED TILL FEBRUARY 8

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In the course of the brief discussion on the bill, J. S. Woodsworth, Labor Minister, said that the C.P.R. Winnipeg North Centre, declared protests already had been made by organized bodies of labor and farmers against the policy of cable trading. He asked that the Minister of National Defence, Hon. J. L. Borden, to the date has been definitely fixed by the Government with a proviso that it may be postponed one week if conditions are unexpected make it necessary. Preparations will be made at once for the earlier date and notices will be sent members in the usual course.

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Divorce News Banned

Newspapers of Great Britain Not Permitted to Publish Details

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Born—On December 21, to Mr. and Mrs. Roy Taylor, a son E. Williamson becomes a grandfather in this instance and is fully as proud as the parents.

Found—Parse containing money. Owner call at Chronicle office.

Rev. Hunt will give a Book Sermon next Sunday night.

WHO RUNS WATERTON PARK

The Cardston News in a recent issue, made reference to the opposition of the Mormon Church to the granting of a liquor license at Waterton Lakes and the editor of the Blairmore replies as follows: The people of all over Southern Alberta have an equal interest in our national park at Waterton and the opinion of the majority should be taken before it is definitely decided whether or not a beer license should be granted this holiday resort. The average person, however, who visits Waterton, believes somewhat in consistency, but fails to see it in a large percentage of the adults of the Cardston district who desire to spend the week end at the park.

The licenses of forty-two automobile drivers have been revoked for all time in New York on proof that they were intoxicated while operating their cars. The Markham Economist says that this is an example that should be copied in Canada. The safety of the public demands it. A driver's license should not be issued to anyone who is in the habit of using intoxicating liquor to excess, and suspension of licenses for all time should follow all second convictions of being the worse of liquor while driving.

SUPERIOR WHEAT

Superiority of Canadian wheat is frankly admitted by the Food Research Institute of California in its newest wheat study. It says: In a word, American importation of Canadian wheat for domestic consumption over a tariff duty rests fundamentally upon the qualitative superiority of Canadian wheats over most American spring wheats and the fact that Can-

ada regularly produces a large export surplus of high grade milling wheats, which the United States does not."

Country weeklies are pre-eminently the Home papers of newspaperdom. They are not hurriedly scanned while men travel to or from business, then left to the trainmen to gather up. They go directly to homes where their reading is a duty as well as a pleasure. Hence their value as an advertising medium.—Review of Reviews.

Nearly fifty carloads of Alberta turkeys are being shipped out of the province this year for the outside markets. The season is a particularly encouraging one for the producer, the demand being keen and the prices good. Several community shipments are being made under the auspices of the Provincial Pool.

Perfectly obvious facts sometimes need concrete illustration to make them impressive. What for instance could be more obvious than the simple fact that crowding of a crop by weeds reduce the yield, or conversely, that judicious expenditure of labor or money upon the destruction of the weeds must return dividends in the enhanced value of the crop? And yet because the crowding seldom ruins the crop entirely, and the weeding seldom removes more than a fraction of the weeds, we lapse into the easy philosophy that the difference it makes is negligible anyhow.

The real truth stands forth stark and bold, confronted by an object lesson like the following. On one of our Experimental Stations last summer, a plot of hemp, badly infested with wild radish (similar to wild mustard) was treated on half its area with cyanamid dust. The weed insofar as it escaped immediate destruction received such a set-back that the hemp at once took the lead and for rest of the season smothered any dwarfed competitor that might have regained vigor. On the adjoining area the untreated wild radish got the lead and held it so effectively that in the second week of August the hemp was only half the height of that alongside, and the weed was rapidly maturing a crop of seed. In this particular instance the fertilizing value of the cyanamid to the crop was doubtless aiding its herbicidal action on the weed, to make a striking contrast; but the same result in varying degree must follow elimination of competition by weeds however secured.

It is open to any farmer who has fields polute with wild mustard or

wild radish to provide himself with a similar object lesson next spring on such scale as may be according to his faith. Cyanamid happens to have been the agent used in the illustration cited, but other preparations on the market, like Hofer's Charlock Powder for dusting, and iron sulphate or copper sulphate (blue stone) for spraying, may be used. Essentials for success are, application early in the life of the weed, well before bloom, even distribution of the material in correct amount, and in the case of dusts, application on a dry leaf surface in the early morning of a bright day. Fuller directions will be furnished on application to the Division of Botany. These remedies can be used safely in cereal or grass crops, but not in clover; and it should go without saying that they are unnecessary in crops that can be cleaned by intertillage or by late spring cultivation before sowing.

For the first few years that winter feeding was carried on at the Experimental Station at Rosthern, there was an inadequate water supply and that at some distance from the feeding corral. Later the water supply was convenient to the corrals but was available for cattle for only a short time in the forenoon. For the past half dozen years the water had been stored in a large tank supplied with a heater which keeps it from freezing and the cattle can drink when they wish.

When the water was at a distance from the corrals they would have to be driven to water or they would have to be driven to water or they would wait till thirst compelled them. They would fill up with water, hump their backs and shiver, especially in cold weather, and not chew their cud for an hour or more after drinking. When watered once daily in the corral the effect was similar, but not so bad. When water was constantly available the cattle were going to the water at all times but taking only a few mouthfuls at once, and they did not hump their backs nor shiver, but began chewing their cud almost immediately.

A 14 inch self-sinking cast iron tack heater can be had for about ten dollars. Coal necessary to operate it will be from 5 to 10 lbs. per day in cold weather.

Although there are no comparative records as to gains in cattle watered differently, yet the more comfortable and thrifty appearance of those getting water at all times would seem to justify the extra expense many times over.

Appreciating our pleasant business relations in the past we wish you the Compliments of the Season and trust that the coming year will bring you the best you have ever known in Happiness and Prosperity.

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